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Dear Shirley,

Your card postmarked 3/11 got here 3/13 but the clippings you said you'd send when you got home haven't. Perhaps they will, as I very much hope, today. The too-frequent interruptions are slowing me down, and I guess I am a little spontaneously. The stuff doesn't come out as fast and I find I can now sleep to 5 a.m., which cuts the work-day down. The N.O. book is about 80% written. I was to have finished it this week but cannot. I'm anxious to do that, get back on the Manchester book, which is a quarter written and entirely researched, and then finish up III, for which I have great expectations.

I'm glad the Library did not accept the check. Use it for your own research, which is at least as valuable a purpose as they would put it to. They'll have less trouble getting funds when they are in need.

My second letter to Capitol, holding them responsible for any libel, sent registered, brought a response from Schiller in which he almost apologized for not dying from monoxide poisoning when there was a defective gas stove. My hunch is the Dell book will not be well received. They have allowed mine to sell out all over, do not even have it on sale in their own building. I asked them if they had no qualms about talking seriously with a man they are about to call paranoid and they said they didn't!

Normally, total record royalties are but 5%. Capitol made the same mistake on all the letters, I suppose. I called to their attention this little condition of our contract. Schiller said he'll write soon. I've not consulted a lawyer I also sent a copy to WJT, without response.

I haven't seen Lewallen's picture, Cannot get NO papers here. I do not have Arcacha story. Believe he may be quite important. There is something in the Russo testimony yesterday that leaves me uneasy. What he says Oswald said doesn't sound like Oswald. I note similarity in times and names, that is, Russo claims he met one "leon" Oswald shortly before someone was so introduced to Odio and at a time consistent with the trip of the characters in the story of the false Oswald, who arrived in Dallas about 9/20 and remained there for 10 days.

If you have any info on the raid of the Cuban training base at NO right before O's handbill distribution, the second, that would very much interest me. I have pretty much of the story, but not all of it. I think it and a number of other things spell CIA.

Understand a NY paper Sunday had a nasty story on Odio, in Puerto Rico. I'd be happier if here whereabouts were unknown.

When you speak to LA, tell her my limited contact with her former boarder confirms her opinion to Lil. He is also a one-way street. I see little of him. There seems to be some official interest in him and his connection has been presumed elsewhere in the govt. It is known to CBS. Got a tentative Deal deal for II. Parallax is doing the Manchester book.

Now back to work. Unless I note otherwise, package will not have come today in our single mail. Thanks and best to all,